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CCP CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

According to a CCP radio broadcast on 23 March 1949, the second plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Seventh CCP Congress was held near Shih-chia-chuang. The session lasted 8 days, with 34 committee members and 19 alternate members attending. Twenty regular committee and alternate members were absent.

There was unanimous approval of the plan to hold a new political consultative conference for eventually setting up a democratic coalition government. The political consultative conference would include the CCP, various democratic parties, groups, and personalities. It would not include reactionary elements. Mao Tse-tung's 1 January 1949 statement listing the eight conditions for surrender was approved as a basis for peace talks with the Nan-ching KMT reactionary government, other regional KMT governments, and military groups.

Discussions were held on the CCP's shift from rural to urban activities. There must be the closest cooperation between the farmer and the worker and between industry and agriculture. The Party must now lead the urban people to victory and must strive to bring together the worker and farmer classes. The intelligentsia and the small property owners must be brought into the Party.

It was realized that the key to the control and reconstruction of cities lies in restoring conditions to normal and expanding industrial production. All other activities such as Party organization, setting up of government agencies, labor unions, and public order and cultural organizations must be subservient to the one great task of expanding industrial production.

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